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- (a) In this Part IX of this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
 - (b) "Advice" means the recommendations of the advisory committee.
 - (c) "Advisory committee" means a patient care advisory committee.
- (d) "Petitioner" means one of the following individuals who is responsible for making a decision with a medical consequence for a patient:
 - (1) A patient;
 - (2) A physician;
 - (3) A registered nurse;
 - (4) A social worker;
 - (5) A family member;
 - (6) A guardian;
- (7) An individual with a power of attorney to make a decision with a medical consequence for a patient; or
- (8) Any other health care practitioner directly involved in the care of the patient.
- (e) "Related institution" does not include a domiciliary care home that is operated independent of any other related institution.

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